

EAGLE ROAD ARTERIAL STUDY

UPDATE

The Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) would like to provide you with an update on the Eagle Road Arterial Study since our public meetings last October. We appreciate your participation and input as we determine which methods of traffic management will meet the needs of residents and business owners who live and work along Eagle Road (Idaho 55), as well as the number of motorists who rely on the road as a major north-south arterial.

We have received more than 200 written comments from the public, at our October meeting and in the months since then. What we learned is there is strong concern both for the highway's safe and convenient access, and its ability to carry large volumes of traffic efficiently.

ABOUT THE STUDY

ITD hired the engineering firm Entranco to study the seven-mile Eagle Road corridor between Overland Road and State Street (Idaho 44). The study is evaluating the impacts of installing traffic signals at various intersections and/or installing raised medians along stretches of the road. Specifically, this study looked at the potential impact of additional signals and median barricades on travel time, speed and safety.

The scientific data collected thus far from the Entranco study supports the Idaho Transportation Board policy of placing traffic signals no less than one-half mile apart. However, the study was narrowly focused, and we believe it would benefit from further expertise.

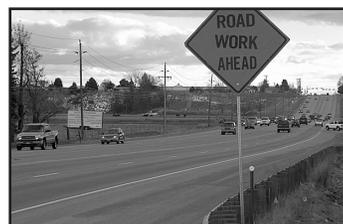
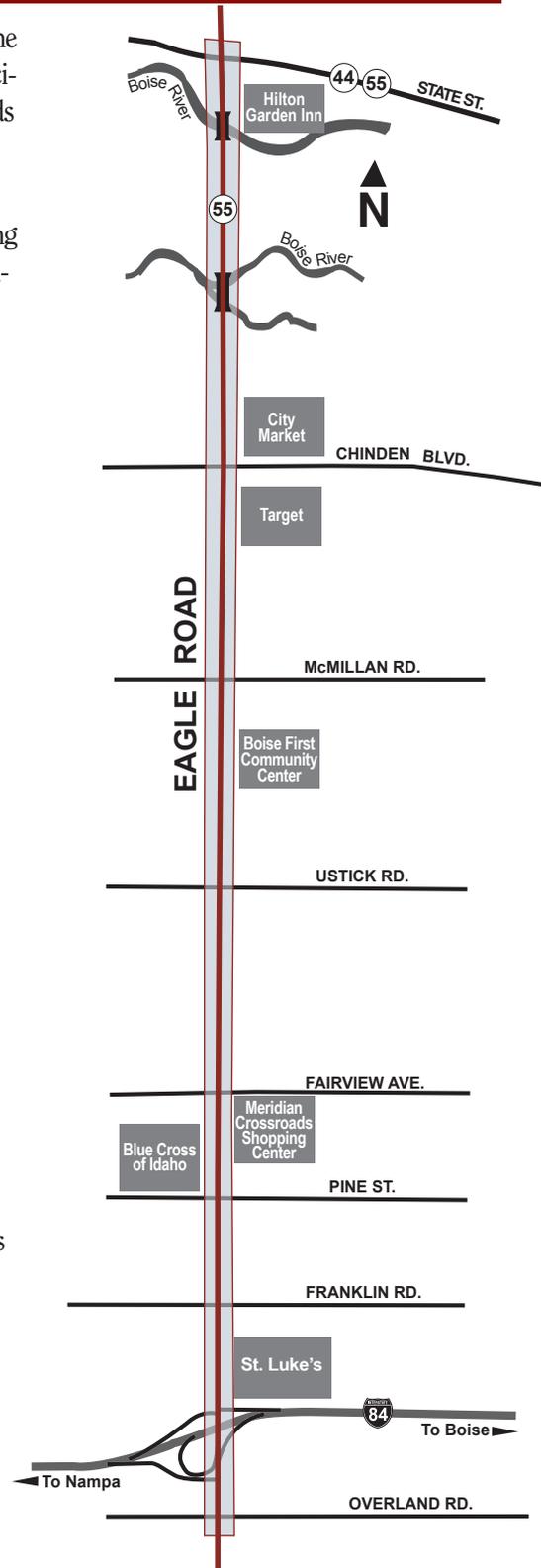
WHAT'S NEXT

ITD has solicited three nationally recognized companies to help us build on the scientific data we have collected so far. These experts offer additional information that we believe will be useful in determining the best management of Eagle Road. They will join us in Boise for a work session in late February. Our goal is to use this expertise to develop a plan that will maintain the function of this crucial north-south commuter route, and also address residential and business needs for access. We will continue to examine traffic signal timing options, new signals, median barricade use and potential landscaping options.

After information is gathered from these experts, a public meeting will be held this spring/summer to finalize a plan. No decisions regarding Eagle Road will be made until we hear from the public. ITD is committed to developing a plan that will address your needs, as well as the needs of everyone who relies on this highway.

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TIMELINE

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STAGE 1	ITD initiates Eagle Road Arterial Study	January 2003
	Entranco conducts study	February 2003 - Ongoing
	Public open houses held to present study results and hear public comments	October 2003
STAGE 2	ITD evaluates technical study and reviews public input	Winter 2003/04
	ITD determines options for Eagle Road traffic management Current Status	
STAGE 3	Open house for final public comment on Eagle Road Arterial Study	Spring/Summer 2004
	Staff makes recommendation to the Idaho Transportation Board	



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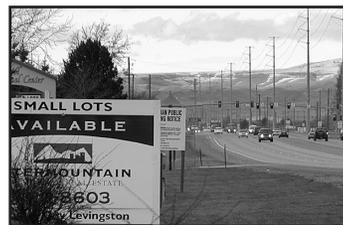


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